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VIA EMAIL

The Honorable Dale E. Ho
United States District Judge
Thurgood Marshall
United States Courthouse
40 Foley Square
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Re: Watson v. NY Doe 1 et al., No. 19 Civ. 533 (DEH) (VF)

Dear Judge Ho,

We are writing on behalf of the Parties in the above-captioned case pursuant to Rule 6.d.iv of your Individual Rules and Practices in Civil Cases to jointly request permission to file a submission by email.

The Parties recently completed summary judgment briefing, provisionally filed under seal. *See* Dkt. 270. The Parties' filings include three summary judgment motions and over 100 exhibits total. Any motions to seal the summary judgment filings, proposed highlighted redactions to the filings, and redacted versions of the filings are due this Friday, October 18, 2024. *See* Dkts. 270, 272.

In light of the number of filings at issue, and to facilitate the Court's review of the Parties' requested redactions, the Parties respectfully request permission to submit **highlighted** versions of the summary judgment papers jointly via Kiteworks (a secure file-transfer platform), or the Court's preferred file-transfer platform, instead of under seal on the docket. Should the Court grant this request, the Parties would only file **redacted** versions of the summary judgment papers on the docket.

The Parties appreciate the Court's attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: New York, New York October 15, 2024

The Court is in receipt of this joint letter. The application is DENIED in part and GRANTED in part.

The request to submit filings via a private file-sharing platform is DENIED. The parties are directed to file unredacted, highlighted versions of their filings under seal on the docket via CM/ECF, with access limited to relevant parties. The Court GRANTS temporary sealing of those documents until the Court resolves the requests for permanent sealing.

SO ORDERED.

Dale E. Ho

United States District Judge Dated: October 17, 2024 New York, New York